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Dear Sirs,

I would like to comment on this application writing as a resident of 41 years and also as someone who was married at the Pasadena and has find memories.

While I really appreciate the upgrade to what was becoming a derelict building I consider that enough is enough and they should use better the space they already have.

Thomas Stephens reserve is an eyesore but I know plans are in place to improve it and it certainly is used by many, especially as a gathering place for our offshore residents, a safe place to drop and pick up children, and also a rest stop for the many bike riders the area attracts. It is often quite crowded.

To encroach on this public space for further commercial gain to me is wrong – that is what the gardens in front of the Pasadena building are for. I also don't like the idea of people eating and consuming alcohol on the reserve when we are trying to discourage the drunks and have mostly succeeded.

As a local I have actually been disappointed that the new and improved Pasadena has not really encouraged the locals to use their space. The restaurant is not popular with the locals who consider the food and service quite underwhelming. I feel that any 'casual' serving of food with people sitting at a counter could better be achieved at the grassed front of the building which for now is most definitely under-utilised.

As a small business owner in the NBC area I am definitely not anti-business but somehow I don't see the current owners of the Pasadena as local community people, more people who are after their own personal gain.

This area is small and is a community which is special as large a city as Sydney is. Whilst the area does attract many commuters and day visitors the personal and less commercial side of it is part of that attraction.

I am afraid that yes, I definitely am against this latest application.

Kind regards,
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